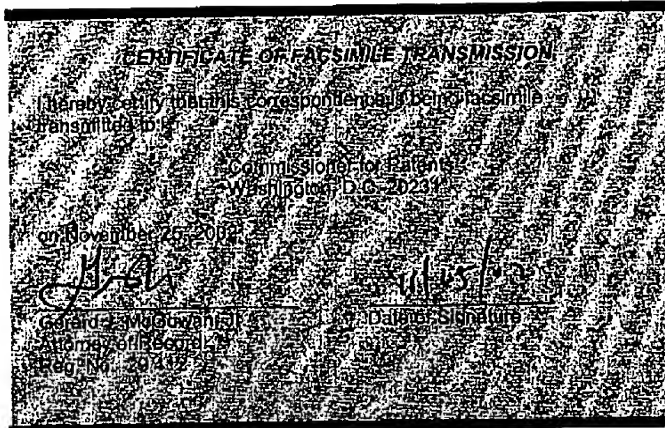


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Bakker et al.
Serial No.: 09/577,306
Filed: May 24, 2000
For: PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCTION OF A FROZEN FOOD PRODUCT

Group: 1723
Examiner: D. Sorkin
Edgewater, New Jersey 07020

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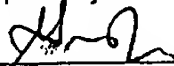
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Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time to file an Request for Continued Examination for two months from September 24, 2002 to November 25, 2002.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1155 in the amount of \$400.00 to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to this deposit account. This request is being submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,



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